

**BOARD OF ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING  
MAY 7, 2012 – REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on May 7, 2012 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room (Room # 102B), Annex Building, 1 N.E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Coupeville, Washington. Helen Price Johnson, Chair, Kelly Emerson, Member, and Angie Homola, Member were present. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Note: To view the video recording of this meeting, go to the County's [website](#) or directly to [the video](#). If you are interested only in a specific topic, click on the timestamp located on [the agenda](#) for that particular issue to hear the discussion.*

**PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS**

- Garrett Newkirk

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]*

Pre-audited bills: \$556,935.38

Vouchers: \$783,238.76

Electronic funds transfers: \$195,052.34

Payroll: \$559,925.19

Minutes: Regular Sessions 3/26/12 and 4/2/12

**Human Services**

Contract Amendment with Citizens Against Domestic and Sexual Abuse, to provide rental assistance and homeless prevention services. Contract No. HS-42-11(1); Amount: \$88,300 (RM-HS-12-0101)

**Public Health**

Contract Collection Agreement with Whidbey Island Bank for On-Site Repair Financial Assistance Program (Mason)

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion by Commissioner Homola to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Commissioner Emerson. Motion carried 3-0**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

*[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]*

**Commissioners**

Resolution C-60-12 Approving the Annexation to the Juniper Beach Water District. The Juniper Beach Water District seeks to annex the area serviced by the Lands Hill Water Association which includes 29 contiguous parcels. The proposed annexation has been determined to meet the provisions of RCW 57.02.040(3)(a)-(c).

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion by Commissioner Emerson to adopt Resolution C-60-12 Approving the Annexation to the Juniper Beach Water District, second by Commissioner Homola. Motion carried 3-0**

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Commissioners

Resolution C-61-12 Business Office Hours for Island County Offices. This resolution provides the hours county offices are currently open to the public for the transaction of business.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion by Commissioner Homola to adopt Resolution C-61-12 Business Office Hours for Island County Offices, second by Commissioner Emerson. Motion carried 3-0**

Commissioners

Resolution C-62-12 Proclaiming the week of May 13-19, 2012 as Washington State University Master Gardener Volunteer Week in Island County

Dr. Timothy Lawrence, WSU Extension Director, presented the proposed resolution.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion by Commissioner Homola to adopt Resolution C-62-12 Proclaiming the Week of May 13-19, 2012 as Washington State University Master Gardener Volunteer Week in Island County, second by Commissioner Emerson. Motion carried 3-0**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]*

Human Services

Resolution C-63-12 with Certification of Compliance, Community Block Grant Application. Public testimony will be taken on the County's application for up to \$86,561 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to fund public service activities that principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons. CDBG funds are federal Department of Housing and Urban Development funds made available on a competitive basis to cities and towns with less than 50,000 people and counties with populations less than 200,000. The Opportunity Council will be a sub-recipient under the proposed grant and will administer the program. The Opportunity Council is a private, non-profit Community Action Agency serving homeless and low-income families and individuals. Its goal is to help people learn to become self-sufficient.

Jackie Henderson, Human Services Director, and Lisa Clark with the Opportunity Council introduced the resolution.

Public comment opened and closed without comment.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion by Commissioner Homola to adopt Resolution C-63-12 with Certification of Compliance, Community Block Grant Application, second by Commissioner Emerson. Motion carried 2-1 (*Commissioner Emerson abstained*)**

Public Works – Roads

Ordinance C-44-12 (R-12-12) Regulating Speed Limit on Heller Road Amending Island County Code Title X, Chapter 10.01

Bill Oakes, Public Works Director, provided the staff report. He indicated the existence of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Oak Harbor for maintenance of boundary roads within

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the City. The south end of Heller Road from Swantown north, approximately 2/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile, is a County right-of-way maintained by the City. The City of Oak Harbor conducted an engineering study for speed and determined that the speed limit on Heller Road at the vicinity indicated should be 35 miles per hour. The City posted the speed accordingly at 35 miles per hour. In order for the speed limit to be enforceable, the Island County Code must be updated to reflect the change. Staff recommended approval.

Public comment opened and closed without comment.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**Motion by Commissioner Homola to adopt Ordinance C-44-12 (R-12-12) Regulating Speed Limit on Heller Road Amending Island County Code Title X, Chapter 10.01, second by Commissioner Emerson. Motion carried 3-0**

**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Commissioner Emerson**

- Explanation of a misstatement at a previous Board meeting.
- Attended the 2012 Transportation Luncheon hosted by the Washington Policy Center: The Role of Smart Growth in Transportation Planning. The Commissioner will provide a briefing at the next RTPO meeting.
- Attended the Soroptimist International of Oak Harbor's First Annual Awards and Banquet.
- Response to public concern regarding the Accident Potential Zone (APZ).
- Will attend the 2012 National Association of Counties (NACo) Western Interstate Region Conference in Santa Fe next week, and the NACo Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh in July.

**Commissioner Homola**

- Will try to attend only her committee assignment on the EELU during the first half of the National Association of Counties (NACo) 2012 Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh in July. Travel is contingent on her obtaining a non-revenue ticket. No registration fee will be assessed since she would only attend her committee assignment.
- Discussed the importance of public outreach and public notice and shared ideas for achieving better communication with the public.

**Commissioner Price Johnson**

- Whidbey Island resident highlighted on the front page of the Seattle Times for inventing the Space Needle ballpoint pen.
- Presented the Green School Award to the South Whidbey Elementary School.
- Participated with the South Whidbey Hearts and Hammers last Saturday.
- Also attended on Saturday the Veterans Stand Down event.
- Invited to be a Guest Conductor with the Saratoga Chamber Orchestra.
- Ongoing reorganization efforts to create efficiencies in Island County departments.
- Report from the Washington Association of Counties (WSAC) Annual Meeting around implementation of community councils. The Commissioner is exploring the idea for Island County.

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There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.  
The Board will meet next in Regular Session on May 14, 2012 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

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ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Helen Price Johnson, Chair

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Kelly Emerson, Member

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Angie Homola, Member

ATTEST:

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Elaine Marlow, Clerk of the Board